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INDO RUSSIAN AGREEMENT IN IT SECTOR
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether India and Russia have agreed to identify areas to promote strategic partnership in information technology sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any agreement has been signed between the two countries in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the extent to which it is likely to boost the trade in knowledge based industries?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)
(a): Yes, Sir.
(b), (c), (d) & (d): In order to promote bilateral cooperation as well as bilateral trade, in the area of Information Technology and related sectors, between both the countries, an Indo-Russian Working Group on Information Technology has been set up. This Working Group has, so far, met 7 times, the last meeting was held in September, 2000. During the 7th meeting of the Working Group, both the sides have agreed to cooperate in the following areas: Cooperation in Certification of Electronics and IT productsCooperation in Communication and Network Technologies Software
High Performance Computing System and their applicationsHigh Technologies and Electronic Materials Application of Information Technology in Education Bilateral trade It is expected that these measures would facilitate in promoting business-to-business collaborations in both the countries.